

Stakeholder Survey 2009 Summary Report Elementary Schools

Statement from Michelle Rhee, Chancellor

In May 2009 we surveyed parents, school staff, and students (grades 6 through 12), asking their opinions on their schools and the district. I am pleased to share with you this summary of the feedback we received. It is essential that we hear from these key stakeholders in order to ensure that our reform efforts are serving our students as well as possible.

We hope this report will serve as a tool for school principals and staff to engage their school community and better understand what is working well and what needs improvement. I look forward to working with our school leadership on ways in which we can respond to the information presented in this report and better focus our efforts to improve our schools.

For details on how this information was collected and for full survey results please visit www.dcps.dc.gov.

About this report

The survey results are organized by stakeholder: student responses are shown first, followed by staff and parent responses. Survey questions addressed the following four categories from the DCPS Effective Schools Framework:

Teaching and Learning: Does the school emphasize instruction and hold students to high expectations for achievement?

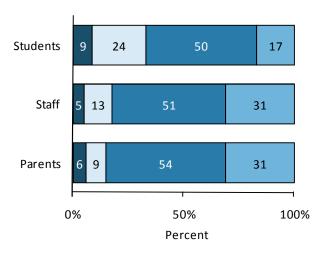
Resources: Does the school have adequate resources for learning, and is it kept in good condition?

Family and Community Engagement: Does the school invest in families and community members to support students?

Safe and Effective Learning Environment: Do the school's policies, procedures, and practices support a safe environment that fosters mutual respect, high expectations, and a focus on teaching and learning?

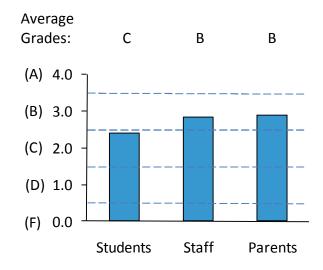
Overall Satisfaction

My school is on the right track for student achievement.

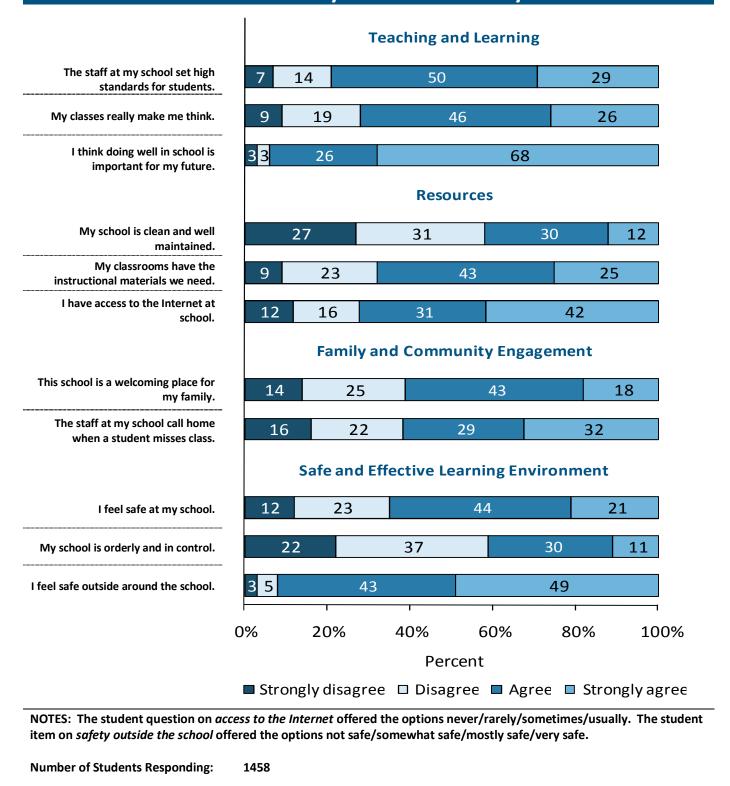


■ Strongly disagree □ Disagree □ Agree □ Strongly agree

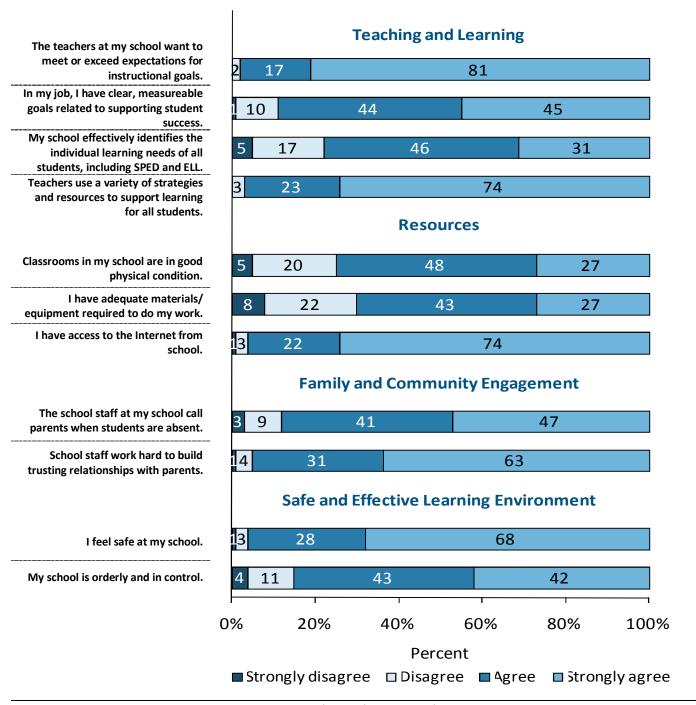
Average grade people gave to the school.



What did students say about Elementary Schools?



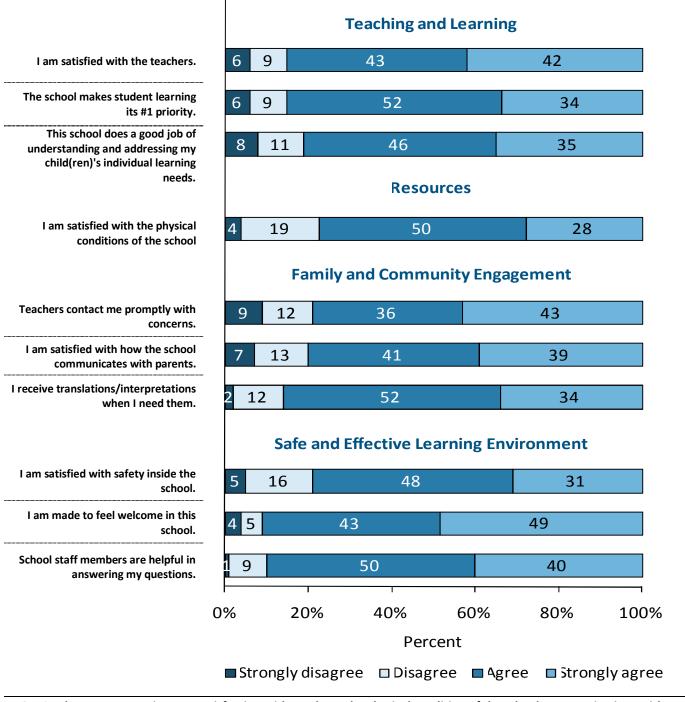
What did staff say about Elementary Schools?



NOTES: The following items offered the options never/ rarely/ sometimes/always: wanting to meet or exceed expectations for instructional goals, using a variety of strategies, having access to the Internet, calling parents when students are absent, working hard to build trusting relationships with parents, feeling safe at school, and the school being orderly and in control.

Number of Staff Responding: Staff (total): 3139 Administrators: 161 Teachers: 1905 Other staff: 1073

❖ What did parents say about Elementary Schools?



NOTES: The parent questions on satisfaction with teachers, the physical condition of the school, communications with parents, and safety inside the school offered the options very dissatisfied/ dissatisfied/satisfied/very satisfied.

Number of Parents Responding: 279